

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY BEIRUT  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3787  
INFO AMCONSUL KARACHI

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KARACHI FOR RSS

E.O. 11652: NA  
TAGS: ASEC LE  
SUBJ: BEIRUT SECURITY SITUATION

REF: (A) BEIRUT 0027; (B) BEIRUT 0198

1. BECAUSE OF THE IMPROVED SECURITY SITUATION AND, AS A RESULT OF THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS CONCERNED, THE RSO HAS AUTHORIZED THE USE OF SELECTED HOTELS TO ACCOMMODATE TDY PERSONNEL VISITING BEIRUT. ALL REPEAT ALL TDY PERSONNEL WILL BE INITIALLY HOUSED WITHIN THE CHANCERY UNTIL THE RSO HAS HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO BRIEF THESE INDIVIDUALS REGARDING THE SECURITY SITUATION IN THE CITY.

2. AFTER RECEIVING THEIR BRIEFING, TDY PERSONNEL WILL BE PLACED IF THEY WISH IN ONE OF FIVE (5) SELECTED HOTELS; THEY ARE THE RIVIERA, CADMOS, CHARLES, COMMODORE AND VENDOME. THESE HOTELS WERE SELECTED PRIMARILY ON THE BASIS OF CLOSENESS TO THE CHANCERY AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD SECURITY SITUATION.

3. THE INCREASE OF POST PERSONNEL AND THE CONTINUING INFLUX OF TDY PERSONNEL HAS SEVERELY STRAINED THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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POST'S TRANSPORTATION AND SECURITY SUPPORT FACILITIES. THEREFORE, WITH THE RSO'S CONSENT, WE HAVE ENTERED INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH A SELECTED TAXI COMPANY TO PROVIDE SUPPLEMENTARY TRANSPORTATION FOR POST PERSONNEL. THIS PARTICULAR TAXI SERVICE WILL BE USED FOR UNOFFICIAL TRAVEL IN THOSE AREAS OF THE CITY AUTHORIZED BY THE RSO. THE USE OF OTHER CITY

TAXI IS NOT AUTHORIZED. THE TAXI SERVICE, SADAT TAXI, IS KNOWN TO THE EMBASSY AND ALL DRIVERS HAVE BEEN VOUCHERED FOR BY THE MANAGEMENT. WE BELIEVE THAT THIS ARRANGEMENT WILL BE SATISFACTORY FROM A SECURITY STANDPOINT. SINCE THE RSO IS NOT WILLING AS YET TO AUTHORIZE THE IMPORTATION OF POV'S AND THE EMBASSY IS INCAPABLE OF PROVIDING THE TOTAL TRANSPORTATION REQUIRED, THIS SERVICE WILL CONTINUE TO BE USED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.  
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